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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: T. Nguyen
NORIO SHIMURA, ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 2861
Appln. No.: 10/647,204)
: Filed: August 26, 2003)
: For: DATA PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
: DATA PROCESSING METHOD, :
: PROGRAM, AND INK JET PRINTING) :
SYSTEM : June 27, 2006

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

In the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed May 16, 2006, the Examiner listed reasons for the allowance of the claims. However, the features noted by the Examiner do not accurately reflect what is recited in each of the independent claims. For example, "marginless printing where data beyond the print medium edge defined as an overrunning area is recording data not the ink

waste amount of data” is not recited in any claim. Nevertheless, Applicants respectfully submit that each of the pending claims is allowable for its combination of claimed features.

Applicants’ undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Williamson", written over a horizontal line.

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